



As conflict continues in Syria, millions of people are in desperate need of assistance. The UK has committed £800 million of support in response to the humanitarian crisis, including food, medical care and relief items for over a million people in Syria and the region.

KEY FACTS



12.2 million people are in need of humanitarian assistance inside Syria (UNOCHA 01.03.2015), of which:



7.6 million people are Internally Displaced Persons inside Syria. (UNOCHA 01.03.2015)



In addition, **3.9 million** Syrians are refugees in neighbouring countries. (UNHCR 24.03.2015)

£800 million has been committed by the UK government to provide support in response to the conflict, of which:

Syria - £378 million has been allocated to partners providing humanitarian assistance inside Syria delivered from Damascus and cross border. This includes:

Cross Border - £182 million allocated for delivering aid across Syria's borders without the consent of the Syrian regime.

Region - £422 million for Jordan, Lebanon, Turkey, Iraq and Egypt, including £9.3 million for technical assistance to the response.

The table below shows key results delivered through DFID support from the beginning of our response until the end of September 2014:

Activity		Achieved Feb 2012 - Dec 2013 ¹			Achieved Jan 2014 - Sep 2014 ²			Grand Total
		Syria	Region	Total	Syria	Region	Total	
Food: Number of rations provided ³		3,956,349	1,319,883	5,276,232	1,994,032	1,460,958	3,454,991	8,731,223
Water: Number of people with access to clean water sources (peak month) ⁴		1,460,000	57,000	1,500,00	1,460,000	57,000	1,500,00	1,500,000
Sanitation and hygiene: Number of people that benefit from sanitation and hygiene activities		189,000	53,063	242,063	517,000	197,195	714,195	956,258
Health: Number of medical consultations for emergency trauma and primary healthcare cases		481,948	141,398	623,346	488,835	220,382	709,217	1,332,563
Shelter and relief: Number of people supported through shelter interventions		3,030	14,691	17,721	30	211,488	211,518	229,239
Shelter and Relief: Number of individuals benefiting from the distribution of relief packages		433,761	172,407	606,168	232,641	202,785	435,426	1,041,594
Agriculture/Livelihoods: Number of people supported through agriculture/livelihoods interventions		20,325	126	20,451	134,255	20,964	155,219	175,670
Protection: Number of children supported by psychosocial interventions		57,134	30,592	87,726	215,634	326,819	542,453	630,179
Protection: Number of adults supported by psychosocial interventions		17,539	5,986	23,525	31,917	0	31,917	55,442
Protection: Number of sexual and gender based violence survivors supported		1,960	1,422	3,382	0	3,576	3,576	6,958
Education: Number of children supported in formal and informal education		4,097	1,117	5,214	7,124	1,735	8,859	14,073

¹ These figures are no longer rounded and therefore are higher in some cases from those reported before 20.01.2015 which were rounded down.

² Some results from key partners, including UN agencies, are not yet included due to a lag in reporting.

³ A food ration provides food for one person for one month.

⁴ Results are cumulative except for water which is measured as the peak month: this is the highest number of people provided with water since the beginning of 2012 in a given month. The water results for Syria and neighbouring countries cannot be added together because the peak month is different for each context. The cumulative peak month is the month in which the combined number of people assisted was highest.



SUPPORT INSIDE SYRIA

The UK has allocated **£378 million** to help people affected by the conflict in Syria, including in opposition held and contested areas. **£182 million** of this has been allocated to partners delivering aid across international borders (cross-border aid). Up to 50% of all UK assistance inside Syria this year will be delivered as cross border aid, targeted towards the **4.8 million people** in hard to reach areas (UNOCHA 01.03.2015) which the UN estimate could be reached across borders.

Food



Through the World Food Programme (WFP) and others, UK aid has provided monthly food packages to those in need inside Syria. WFP provided food in all 14 Syrian governorates for the bulk of the year. The critical security situation meant that many communities within some governorates were inaccessible for periods of longer than a month.

Water, sanitation and hygiene



UK funding has delivered water purification supplies and repairs to water infrastructure through the UN Children's Fund (UNICEF) and other organisations. UNICEF is repairing water systems, trucking water and providing chemicals to major municipal treatment plants to provide clean drinking water to Syrian families.

Health



Through the World Health Organisation (WHO) and others, UK aid is providing vulnerable Syrians with a range of health services, including primary & trauma care, delivering essential supplies and strengthening health systems to respond to outbreaks of diseases such as polio and leishmaniasis.

Shelter and relief items



Through the UN Refugee Agency (UNHCR) and others the UK has funded the supply of relief items, including cooking sets, blankets and mattresses, to those affected by the violence. The UK has also funded improvements to shelter rehabilitation for displaced individuals.

Agriculture/Livelihoods



Through the UN Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) and other partners, the UK has supported agricultural production: providing inputs such as vegetable seeds and training on good agricultural practices in vegetables and backyard poultry, nutrition, food processing/preservation and marketing.



Protection



UK support to UNICEF and other partners has delivered a range of psychosocial interventions including child friendly spaces. Child friendly spaces provide a safe place for children to go back to their routines - playing, studying and expressing their feelings. Psychosocial support has also been provided to adults to help deal with trauma caused as a result of the conflict.

Education



An estimated **5.6 million children** in Syria (UNICEF 05.03.2015) are living in dire situations, including poverty, displacement and caught in the line of fire. Many of them are out of school or at risk of dropping out of school. The UK is funding programmes in Syria to provide children with access to basic education such as self-learning programmes and education activities including summer camps, remedial classes and lessons for students with learning difficulties.

Coordination



UK funding has helped the UN strengthen security and humanitarian coordination mechanisms inside Syria through OCHA and UNDSS. In addition, UK aid to WFP has enabled the organisation to enhance its food storage facilities and security management procedures.

"Where aid is getting through to hundreds of thousands of people, it can be the difference between life and death. The UK has led the way in responding to this crisis so far and we will continue to stand alongside the Syrian people in their time of need"

- Justine Greening,
UK International Development Secretary



SUPPORT IN NEIGHBOURING COUNTRIES

The UK has allocated **£422 million** to help Syrian refugees and host communities in the region.

Food



UK assistance through WFP has provided food to refugees in Jordan, Lebanon, Turkey and Iraq.

Water, sanitation and hygiene



Through UNICEF and other organisations, the UK has provided safe drinking water and sanitation services (toilets) in camps and in communities hosting Syrian refugees, as well as personal hygiene kits with items such as soap.

Health



The UK has provided significant medical care to Syrian refugees and to vulnerable host communities in Jordan and Lebanon through UNICEF, WHO and others. Support includes trauma and primary healthcare through static and mobile clinics and prevention of communicable diseases.

Shelter and relief items



Across the region, UK funding has helped to deliver a range of shelter and essential relief items to Syrian refugees and to communities hosting Syrians displaced by the violence.

Through UNHCR and other agencies relief items including clothing and blankets have been provided. Partners have undertaken a variety of actions to improve shelter conditions, providing shelter kits including tents, timber and plastic sheeting; rehabilitating existing shelter and providing cash for rent to vulnerable households.

Agriculture/Livelihoods



UK support to FAO in Lebanon is supporting households with agricultural livelihoods through training, animal feed and vaccinations. UK funding has also supported a wider range of livelihoods activities in Lebanon and Iraq aimed at short-term job creation through cash for work projects and skills generation to increase employability.

Protection



Through UNICEF and other partners, the UK has delivered a range of psychosocial interventions including child friendly spaces, counselling for survivors of sexual and gender based violence and group therapy sessions led by trained staff to help refugees cope with displacement.

Education



Over **2 million Syrian refugee children** (UNICEF 05.03.2015) need access to education in the region. The UK is providing funding to partners in the region to provide education supply kits in refugee camps in Jordan which includes pencils, exercise books and erasers, as well as textbooks for Syrian and Lebanese children attending Lebanese public schools. In addition, in Lebanon the UK is supporting the Government's 'Reaching All Children with Education' (RACE) plan and a NGO consortium which seeks to deliver education to the most vulnerable children. In Jordan, the UK is also supporting early grade learning for both Syrian and Jordanian children in the public education system.

Coordination



The UK has funded experts to work in humanitarian agencies and help make the humanitarian response more effective. These include a shelter expert in UNHCR in Lebanon, a water and sanitation expert in UNICEF in Iraq, and a humanitarian adviser working with the Government of Lebanon.



Providing shelter with Save the Children in Lebanon.
Source: DFID



SUPPORT TO VULNERABLE GROUPS

The impact of humanitarian crises is often borne disproportionately by vulnerable groups including women and children. Such vulnerable groups are a priority for the UK humanitarian assistance and protection programmers. Some examples include:

No Lost Generation

Over **7.6 million children** are in need across Syria and the wider region (UNICEF 05.03.2015) and more than half of them are out of school. There is a danger of a “lost generation” of Syrian children experiencing trauma and displacement, and missing out on an education. Their lives have been disrupted by the conflict and their future potential wasted.

The ‘No Lost Generation’ Initiative aims to increase support for education, psycho-social support, and protection for Syrian children. The UK is supporting organisations in Syria and in the region for the No Lost Generation initiative. This includes the education support detailed in the Syria and Regional section, and the psycho social support detailed in the protection sections, for example running child friendly spaces that provide a safe place for the Syrian children to play, study, and enjoy time with other children.

Women and girls

The crisis has placed many women and girls at risk of violence, exploitation and insecurity. Due to conflict and population displacement many of the most vulnerable households are supported by women, who often lack necessary assets to meet their needs and those of their children. The UK has provided cash assistance to help female refugees in Jordan pay rent. We are also providing livelihoods support to women including training, hens, feed, seeds and tools. Pregnant women are particularly at risk, and the UK is providing new-born kits for mothers and pregnant women in Iraq, and reproductive health services for women in Jordan. We are also providing financial support for vulnerable Syrian women who are thought to be at risk of coerced marriage, to help reduce their risk of exploitation.



Children at Za'atri camp, Jordan. Source: UNICEF

Host communities

Communities in neighbouring countries have been extraordinarily generous in hosting vulnerable Syrian refugees. The UK recognises that this is putting an enormous strain on their resources and we are supporting refugee hosting communities as well. For example, in Jordan, the UK is supporting a project to increase the access to comprehensive health services for Syrian refugees and vulnerable Jordanians and to improve the national and local public health coordination under the Jordanian Ministry of Health's leadership. In both Lebanon and Jordan, the UK is supporting municipalities in poor areas to provide basic services to communities hosting Syrian refugees.

Palestinian refugees

There is a large population of Palestinian refugees living in Syria and the region, who are particularly vulnerable to conflict. UK funding is supporting UNRWA in their work with Palestinian refugees affected by the violence. This funding will provide support for Palestinian refugees in Syria, Lebanon and Jordan, including food parcels and relief items such as blankets and hygiene items like soap.

Survivors of trauma

Conflict can cause severe psychological harm, and the UK is providing funding for clinical care and counselling. This includes support for Syrian men, women and children in Jordan who have experienced trauma including sexual violence.

UK AID SYRIA RESPONSE

24TH MARCH 2015

DFID funding for humanitarian activities in Syria and the region by country (subject to change)								
Agency (Note: Financial allocations and planned results in this document are rounded, indicative and subject to change).	Syria	Jordan	Lebanon	Turkey	Iraq	Egypt	Regional	Total
CARE International – Multi Sectoral	-	£6.7m	-	-	-	-	-	£6.7m
Doctors of the World (MdM) – Provision of medical aid including primary health care and cash assistance	-	£5m	£4.7m	-	-	-	£0.8m	£10.5m
Danish Refugee Council (DRC) – Provision of cash assistance, funding for winter items, clothing & blankets	£8m	£4.5m	£10.5m	£5m	-	-	-	£28m
Handicap International – Multi Sectoral	-	£3.4m	£3.6m	-	-	-	-	£7m
International Rescue Committee (IRC) – Provision of medical aid including primary health care & cash	£17.5m	£4.3m	£4.9m	-	£1.8m	-	-	£28.6m
Islamic Relief – Multi Sectoral	-	£2m	-	-	-	-	-	£2m
Mercy Corps - Food, shelter/NFIs and WASH support	£44.1m	-	-	£0.01m	-	-	-	£44.1m
Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC) – Shelter & protection support	-	£4m	£14.3m	-	-	-	-	£18.3m
Oxfam – Multi Sectoral	-	£0.6m	£6m	-	-	-	-	£6.6m
Save the Children International (SCI) – Clothing, shelter kits, vouchers and £11 million contribution to NGO Education Consortium in Lebanon	-	£0.9m	£20.4m	-	£0.2m	£0.4m	-	£21.9m
World Vision International – Multi Sectoral	-	-	£1.9m	-	-	-	-	£1.9m
International Committee of the Red Cross/Crescent	£9m	£1.9m	£3.5m	-	-	-	-	£14.4m
International Organisation for Migration (IOM) – Transportation services to Syrian refugees from border areas to camps	£6.7m	£2m	-	-	-	-	-	£8.7m
Turkish Red Crescent (TRC) – Provision of supplies to refugees in Turkey to help prepare for winter	-	-	-	£1m	-	-	-	£1m
UN Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) – Provision of poultry, vegetables, seed kits & training	£8.5m	-	£3.5m	-	-	-	-	£12m
UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) – Humanitarian coordination, information management, & support to the UN Syria Emergency Response Fund	£12.3m	-	-	-	-	-	£3m	£15.3m
UN Department for Safety and Security (UNDSS) – Support to UN safety & security activities	£0.5m	-	-	-	-	-	-	£0.5m
United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) – Protection	£3m	-	-	-	-	-	-	£3m
UN Refugee Agency (UNHCR) – Assistance to Internally Displaced Peoples through the Syrian Humanitarian Response Plan (SHARP) & refugees through the Regional Response Plan	£15.2m	£29.8m	£17.5m	£1.4m	£5.5m	£1.7m	-	£71.1m
UN Children's Fund (UNICEF) – Water, sanitation, hygiene & child protection for the SHARP, & armoured vehicles for the safe delivery of assistance, & an education programme in Jordan in partnership with UAE	£24.8m	£24.5m	£15.9m	£4.8m	£8.2m	-	£4.2m	£82.3m
UN Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA) – Provision of food parcels & household items for Palestinian Refugees in Syria & the region, & protection services in Jordan	£15.6m	£2.2m	£10.7m	-	-	-	-	£28.5m
United States Agency for International Development (USAID) – Supporting early grade learning for Syrian and Jordanian children	-	£15m	-	-	-	-	-	£15m
World Bank – Support to the public education system in Lebanon and the Government's 'Reaching All Children with Education' (RACE) plan and support to municipalities in the poorer areas of Jordan to provide basic services to communities hosting Syrian refugees	-	£12m	£21m	-	-	-	-	£33m
United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) – support to municipalities in the poorer areas of Lebanon to provide basic services to communities hosting Syrian refugees	-	-	£5.2m	-	-	-	-	£5.2m
UN World Food Programme (WFP) – Food aid & support to logistics operations via the Emergency Operation and Special Operation in Syria & the Regional Response Plan (SHARP)	£72.2m	£38.8m	£37.8m	£9.8m	£2.2m	£0.2m	-	£161m
World Health Organisation (WHO) – Health sector funding inside & outside Syria	£8m	£1.9m	-	-	-	-	£0.8m	£10.6m
Undisclosed humanitarian agencies, not named for security reasons (operating outside of the UN led response) – Multi sectoral humanitarian supplies including medical aid, water & sanitation & food	£130.8m	£4.4m	£6.4m	£6m	£1m	-	-	£148.6m
Government of Lebanon - Education	-	-	£3.5m	-	-	-	-	£3.5m
Technical assistance to humanitarian partners and DFID in the region	-	-	£0.2m	£0.1m	£0.1m	-	£8.9m	£9.3m
In kind contributions – Includes reinforced 4WD vehicles for UN agencies to deliver humanitarian programmes safely	£1.4m	-	-	-	-	-	-	£1.4m
Totals	£378m	£164m	£191m	£28m	£19m	£2.3m	£18m	£800m